

REMARKS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed on January 04, 2005. Claims 1-50 have been cancelled, and new claims 51-66 have been added. It is believed that this Amendment places this case in condition for allowance.

Claim 24 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 because it included the trademark/trade names Mobitex and MPAK. Rejected claim 24 has been cancelled by this Amendment.

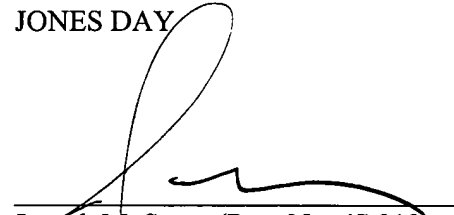
Claims 1-3, 10-16, 17-20, 21-23, 25-26, 28-32, 39, 44-49 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Lee, et al. (US 6,535,493). Claims 4-9, 33-38 and 50 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee in view of Lazaridis, et al. (US 6,219,694). Applicants do not agree with each of these rejections. Nonetheless, rejected claim 1-50 have been cancelled by this Amendment.

Applicants submit that new claims 51-66 are patentably distinct from the Lee and Lazaridis references, or any combination thereof. Among other distinctions, neither the Lee or Lazaridis references teach, suggest or motivate a local-area wireless communication system, as recited in new claim 51, that includes a plurality of local base stations that are configured to determine if a particular mobile device is currently in communication with the local-area wireless communication system when an outgoing communication is directed to the particular mobile device and either (a) route the outgoing communication to the particular mobile device over the local-area wireless communication system if the particular mobile device is currently in communication with the local-area wireless network, or (b) route the outgoing communication to a redirector if the particular mobile device is not currently in communication with the local-area wireless communication system, where the redirector is configured to route the outgoing communication over a wide-area wireless network (e.g., a cellular network.)

For at least these reasons, the Applicants contend that new claims 51-66 are patentably distinct from the cited references and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is, therefore, respectfully requested to enter this Amendment and pass this case to issue.

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